

Polrep #7

Harry Hines Drum Warehouse  
Illegal Drum Disposal  
Removal Action  
Dallas, Dallas County, Texas

Attn: Pat Hammack, OSC

Situation: On August 1, 1989 while assisting the EPA Office of Criminal Investigations at an illegal drum dump location, information was obtained from interrogation of suspects concerning a warehouse and an additional dump location. The warehouse and both dump locations contain leaking drums of hazardous substances initiating a classic emergency removal action. ERCS was activated on 08/01/89 with an initial ceiling of \$250,000.

Action Taken: Action Memorandum draft submitted with a total ceiling of \$1,000,000.00 and an ERCS ceiling of \$500,000.00. Rain and muddy working conditions prevented continuation of soil excavation on west side of warehouse. Spilled contaminants on warehouse floor were collected and placed into temporary containers awaiting disposal. Air samples were collected for analysis of pesticides and aromatic hydrocarbons.

Future Plans: Continue removal work inside the warehouse and excavation of contaminated soil on west side of warehouse. Continue to implement the air sampling and characterization inside the warehouse. Plan to sample for acids and cresols. Continue removal of spilled product in preparation for staging, sampling and hazard categorization of drums in the warehouse.

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